

District 66 is the only school system in the state that uses a caucus and then a general election and Millard and Ralston are both affected by this bill and they prefer to continue their present method of election, which is a filing procedure for the primary, a run-off of a primary and then the general election and they choose to do this because, you see, the bill was passed, I don't know how many years ago it was, but the point is it refers to the metropolitan city where a certain percentage of the district is annexed by the metropolitan city, then they fall under a caucus system. They prefer not to do this. They want to continue with a filing and a general election. That is the reason the figure was changed from 50% to 75% which would exclude them now then to use the procedure which they wish to do now according to the Boards of Education.

SENATOR DWORAK: Senator Koch, are we getting involved in class legislation allowing a certain procedure for a certain percentage of certain people within a certain community and a different procedure for the remainder of the community? Basically, I guess that is the points of my inquiry.

SENATOR KOCH: I think you have to realize that District 66 is a unique system. It is a system within a metropolitan system and so there is a special legislation for them but they are a separate system recognized under 1947 statutes, and see, since that time, now Ralston because of annexation, a part of that school district has exceeded that 50%. Those people would like to continue the filing which they are presently going through now, that is why it is important, otherwise, they would then have to go to a caucus and they don't prefer to do that. They want to go file, primary, general, the same way as Millard because they also have a considerable amount of their area annexed by the metropolitan City of Omaha, yet they are separate entities under the law.

SENATOR DWORAK: I thank you, Senator Koch. I think what we need, and I am not going to vote against this or hold this up in anyway, but I do think we probably would be in order to have an Attorney General's opinion on this from that point of view. Thank you.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: The Chair recognizes Senator Burrows.

SENATOR BURROWS: I have a question for Senator Rasmussen.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Senator Rasmussen, will you respond?

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: Certainly.

SENATOR BURROWS: If this amendment is adopted, how about the committee amendments? Are you willing to take out, say, the rule and regulation portion that the Secretary of State, that were put in on his behalf?

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: You mean as far as the ditto marks and so forth?

SENATOR BURROWS: Yes.

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: You know I have checked in on that and the theory is, Senator Burrows, that if you do not put down